

**NORMAL SCHOOL NEWS**

**Matters of Interest at the State Institution, as Noted by Our Special Correspondent.**

Examinations in the practice department were held on Friday and Saturday.

The third issue of the Pointer came out on Saturday. Henceforth it will be out promptly on Friday afternoon.

Prof. Hyer conducted an institute at Neillville on Dec. 4th and 5th. He will also conduct an institute at Owen, Thursday and Friday.

The Home Economics Club gave an interesting program last Friday afternoon, which was followed by a social hour, which was enjoyed by all.

Pres. Sims will give an address at Glenwood, Friday evening, before the Parents' Association on "The Home Life of the Child in Primary Grades."

While in Minneapolis on her Thanksgiving vacation, Miss Hanson broke her ankle, but has returned to her work in the domestic science department.

Pres. Sims attended the meeting of the presidents of the Normal schools at Madison on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd. A survey of last year's work was presented by Mr. Farmer.

Very rapid progress on the new addition and cottage has been made in the past two weeks. The roof is being put on the addition and the outside of the cottage is nearly completed.

During the past week Miss Parkhurst has been visiting prominent schools of the east. In her trip she visited in Gary, Ind., Evanston, Ill., Washington, D. C., and Columbia, N. Y.

The Normal Dramatic Club will present "When Jane Eloped," a three act comedy, at the local opera house on Wednesday evening of this week. The proceeds will be placed at the disposal of the public library.

A recital by the Sherman Kamps company was given at the Normal, Saturday evening, under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. A large and appreciative audience attended. The money raised will be used by the Y. W. C. A. Any surplus will be contributed to the Belgian relief fund.

The Board of Regents decided that school be held on the two Saturdays, December 5 and 12. Because of this we are to have Monday and Tuesday of the Christmas week as a part of our holiday vacation. With this in mind, Saturday as a school day was a great success.

The Stevens Point Normal quintet opened their season last Saturday evening, when they easily defeated the fast Iola city team. The final score was 27 to 14. The game was much harder fought than the score would seem to indicate. The men on the local team were Kluck, Reilly, Pope, Peterson, Edeas, Brady and Beggs. On next Saturday the locals will line up against the star Lawrence College team, last year's basketball champions.

On Monday night of this week was held one of the most successful preliminary debates to select the Junior debaters, that has ever been held. The question for debate was: "Resolved, That it should be the policy of the U. S. to materially strengthen its military and naval forces." The following were selected to represent the Junior class in the annual debate with the Oshkosh Juniors: Emil Hafsoos, Hazel Ferebee, Frank Hyer and Charlotte Nachtway. The judges were Messrs. Fisher, Glennon and Cashion.

That our Normal players are something more than amateur, was shown by the way they presented the dramatic production, "How the Vote Was Won," on Friday evening of last week. Aside from the value as an entertainment, it served as a method of raising funds to pay off the debt contracted by the school in furnishing a room in the hospital; also to try out candidates for the Dramatic Club, under the direction of Prof. E. T. Smith, with the assistance of Miss Gilruth. The following suffragists took part: Irene Harrison, Edith Lowe, Lorraine Oster, Elizabeth Hatch, Anna McKeague, Mercy Williams and Grace Godfrey. Frank Hyer and Emil Hafsoos upheld the hopeless cause.

**Bright, Brand New Money.**

In anticipation of the Christmas season, the First National bank has just received a shipment of new money direct from the mint or treasury, which they will gladly exchange with those wishing the clean goods for gift purposes. The denominations are: Pennies, nickels, dimes, \$2.50, \$5, \$10 and \$20 gold pieces, \$1 and \$2 bills.

**Benefit of Public Library.**

The Normal Dramatic Club will present "When Jane Eloped," for the benefit of the city library association, at the Grand, next Wednesday evening. Tickets will be on sale at the Krembs drug store on and after next Monday, and as the proceeds will be turned over to the library association, which is greatly in need of funds, a large and liberal attendance is looked for.

**They Are Citizens.**

In the circuit court on Monday the following petitioners were admitted to full citizenship: Stanislaw Pawalski, Cornelius van Lith, Johannes Marten van Cuyk, Franz Rystofkoey, Abner Bornstein, Frank Yaskowski, Nick Kufel, Nick Kulesa, Joseph Wozzala, Jozef Trzebyny, Michael Fibisiak, Joseph van den Berg, Frank Kwiatkowski, Louis Rouchkris, August Mann, George Buchan, A. Thur Bejfer. The petition of Martin Cizganek was continued to the next term.

**Seek Health in Colorado.**

Mrs. W. F. Berndt and daughter, Miss Anna, left on last Saturday night's train for the west, their destination being Boulder, Col., where they expect to spend most of the winter. The young lady is suffering with lung trouble but it is hoped and expected that the pure mountain air will bring her back to health and strength. They were accompanied as far as St. Paul by W. F. Berndt, Jr., of this city and his sister, Mrs. Herman Schroeder of N. Fond du Lac.

**Visitors From Bryan's Town.**

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Thompson and daughter, Miss Vera, of Lincoln, Neb., left for Chicago, thence to Detroit, last night, to visit for a time before departing for the west. They spent several days visiting in the city and Mrs. Thompson's old home in Buena Vista. Mr. Thompson has charge of bridge and building work on the Union Pacific, with Lincoln as his headquarters, and this was their first visit to Wisconsin in four years.

**ELKS LODGE OF SORROWS**

**Memorial Services of Stevens Point Lodge Well Attended—Excellent Address by Atty. John Van Hecke.**

The members of Stevens Point Lodge, No. 641, Brotherhood of Elks, turned out in goodly numbers last Sunday afternoon to pay their respects to the memory of their brethren who have gone before, when the annual "Lodge of Sorrows" was held at their home in the Kingsbury block. The program opened with the usual memorial services, Exalted Ruler W. E. Fisher occupying the principal chair. Rev. John A. Stemen pronounced the invocation and benediction, and also expressed some timely thoughts at the close.

The principal speaker of the day was John Van Hecke of Merrill, who was introduced with words of commendation by Mr. Fisher, but having grown to manhood in this county, Mr. Van Hecke needed no introduction to many of those present. He spoke for nearly an hour, touching upon the good work done by churches and schools in every community, but above all, he said, such orders as the Elks and other similar organizations, which care for the sick and those in distress and provide for the widows and orphans, without regard to class or denomination, are doing a higher, nobler work. Mr. Van Hecke eulogized the memory of the members of this lodge who have passed away in years gone by, no death having entered the ranks of the society during the past year, and he especially paid fitting tributes to the memories of those with whom he was personally acquainted. Every thought was feelingly expressed by the speaker and received with much interest by his auditors.

Weber's orchestra furnished music for the services and C. W. Eagleburger rendered a baritone solo.

**Pleased With the Work.**

Wm. Kittle, secretary of the board of Normal school regents, accompanied by Mrs. Kittle, came up from Madison last Saturday and remained until Tuesday on a visiting and inspection trip to the state school. Mr. Kittle is especially pleased at the good work being done in the domestic science and rural school departments. The former now has an enrollment of 91 young ladies from all parts of Wisconsin and there are nearly 80 taking the rural course.

**Child Welfare Day.**

Next Saturday afternoon at the Woman's club meeting will be "Child Welfare Day," with Mrs. R. A. Oberlatz as chairman, and the following program will be carried out: Piano solo, Mrs. James Blake; "Cutting the child out of the vicious circle," Mrs. Oberlatz; Reading, Mrs. F. M. Playman; "Neglected childhood and deep-seatedness," Mrs. H. A. Hudson; "High cost of child labor," Mrs. J. J. Jefferson; "What is a child worth?" Mrs. G. S. Gunderson; Reading, Mrs. Wm. Maine.

**Horse's Kick Causes Death.**

About two months ago, Margaret, wife of Andrew Dulski of Dancy township, was kicked by a horse on their farm, badly hurting the lady. Her injuries were the primary cause for an attack of dropsy, with which she lingered until last Monday, when death ended her sufferings. Mrs. Dulski was 51 years of age. Funeral services will be conducted at the Casimir church Thursday morning, Rev. L. Jankowski officiating, with interment in the near-by cemetery.

**Business College Notes.**

George Peterson is our new cashier in the college bank. Hazel Fisch has been absent several days on account of illness. John Berdan spent Saturday and Sunday at his home at Milladore. Kojetan Ostrowski of Rosholt has enrolled in the bookkeeping department.

Edward Samsow has returned after working a few days for the Western Express Co. Bertha Wysocki, Stevens Point, has begun a course in stenography at night school.

The following program will be carried out Friday afternoon by the Literary society: Song, school; war news, Harold Frank; war tax, Orin Paulson; piano solo, Mr. Nelson; Colorado trouble, F. Becker; school topics, Miss Dhein; song, school.

**LOCAL SOCIETIES ELECT**

**Officers Chosen by Various Organizations, Fraternal and Otherwise, During the Past Week.**

Forest Chapter No. 34, R. A. M., elected the following officers at their annual meeting last evening: H. P.—E. L. Martin. King—E. H. Rogers. Scribe—C. H. McCready. Treasurer—A. R. Week. Secretary—J. D. Giles. Trustee, 3 yrs.—H. C. Welty.

The altar society of St. Stephen's congregation met Sunday afternoon and elected the following officers: President—Mrs. Mary McAuliffe. Secretary—Mrs. Mary Burns. Treasurer—Mrs. Elizabeth Rice.

Pine Tree Camp, No. 639, met last evening and elected officers as follows: Oracle—Alice Lane. Past Oracle—Clara King. Vice Oracle—Theresa Hackney. Chancellor—Nellie Uphagrove. Recorder—Mary Burns. Receiver—Mary Packard. Marshal—Carrie King. Inner Sentinel—Jennie Phelps. Outer Sentinel—Metta Zimmer. Manager 3 years—Lillie Docka.

Thursday evening Crusade Commandery, No. 17, Knights Templar, elected the following officers: E. Com.—W. J. Shumway. Gen'lmo.—George B. Nelson. C. Gen.—H. C. Welty. S. W.—L. D. Richards. J. W.—C. H. McCready. Treasurer—A. R. Week. Recorder—J. D. Giles. Trustee 3 years—J. R. Congdon.

Last Wednesday afternoon the following officers were chosen by the local Woman's Relief Corps: President—Mrs. Emma Johnson. Sr. Vice—Mrs. Eliza Thoms. Jr. Vice—Mrs. Sarah E. Bancroft. Secretary—Mrs. Frances Meyers. Treasurer—Mrs. Eliza Neitzel. Chaplain—Mrs. Mary Welty. Conductor—Mrs. Jennie Altenburg. A. S. Con.—Mrs. Byrd Simpser. Guard—Mrs. Ellen Carpenter. Asst. Guard—Mrs. Sophia Dorschheid. Delegate—Mrs. Emma Sheldon. Alternate—Mrs. Frances Myers.

Branch No. 11, C. K. of Wis., met in annual meeting last Sunday evening and selected the following officers: President—N. Jacobs. Vice Pres.—V. Betlach. Rec. Sec.—John W. Glennon. Fin. Sec.—A. J. Cunneen. Treasurer—J. W. Duneagan. Trustee 3 yrs.—John Leahy. Sentinel—N. Caloshinske.

Stevens Point Post, G. A. R., on Friday elected the following officers and representatives: Commander—H. O. Halverson. Senior Vice—Wm. Reading. Junior Vice—John Cater. Quartermaster—E. M. Copps. Chaplain—S. W. Andrews. Officer Day—Frank Chapman. Officer Guard—Orrin Muzzy. Delegate to state encampment—Orrin Muzzy; alternate, Wm. Kulkins. A committee consisting of Comrades Altenburg, Andrews and Cater was appointed to confer with members of the Woman's Relief Corps in regard to joint installation ceremonies.

St. Joseph's Society, a beneficiary organization connected with St. Joseph's congregation, elected the following officers at their annual meeting last Sunday:

President—Florian Phillip. Vice Pres.—Mike Waloherr. Rec. Sec.—Robt. Franke. Fin. Sec.—Herman Kolby. Treasurer—John Brandtner.

**Business Men's Meeting.**

The regular monthly session of the Business Men's Association will be held at the library club rooms, tomorrow, Thursday evening of this week, supper to be served by the ladies of the German M. E. church at 6:30 o'clock. There will be a "round table" talk, and everyone being invited to take part, and Secretary Orman announces that several things of great importance are to be talked over.

Later—The meeting is postponed for one week, to Thursday, Dec. 17th.

**Sunday School Convention.**

The Portage County Sunday School Association will hold their eighteenth annual convention at Amherst, commencing at 10:30 Thursday forenoon of this week and continuing throughout the day and evening and also Friday forenoon, afternoon and evening. An interesting program has been arranged for each day. The officers of the association are: President, Rev. J. T. Kendall; vice president, Fred B. Fox; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Merle Harroun; recording secretary, Mrs. Mae Calverley; treasurer, Mrs. Don Sawyer.

**Widow Will Draw Compensation.**

H. J. Finch spent a day or two at Ashland last of the week, going up to prepare the necessary papers in the case of John G. Strasek, a tinner in the employ of Dopp & Watson, hardware dealers in that city, Strasek having fallen from a roof upon which he was working at Butternut, with fatal results. He was in the employ of the above firm at the time of the accident. Dopp & Watson carried a compensation policy with the Hardware Dealers Mutual Liability Co. of this city and the widow, who has one child, will draw about \$2,800.

**CIRCUIT COURT CASES**

**The December Term is Now in Session, Judge Park Presiding—Business Thus Far Transacted.**

Circuit court is now in session at the court house in this city, Judge B. B. Park presiding, having convened for the December term Monday forenoon, and the following matters have been heard or business transacted thus far: Upon the roll call of jurors the following were excused: John Dawson, Carl Skowen, A. L. Voyer, Adolph Skowen, Martin Johnson and Julius Jagodzinski, the last three for the reason that they were not naturalized citizens. The following jurors were then drawn to complete the panel: John Van Order, Hull; Henry Heller and Charles Scribner, Buena Vista; Fred Lutz, Amherst; Albert Stoltenberg, New Hope; Irving S. Hull, J. D. Giles, Frank Spalenka and J. L. Roy, Stevens Point.

State vs. Emil Zibell. Abandonment. Placed on calendar. State vs. Leon Ropella. Libel. Placed on calendar. E. C. Beat vs. J. F. Kubisiak. Continued. Carrie A. Wheeler vs. John T. Hansen et al. Waupaca county special. Judgment of foreclosure. Lloyd Parmenter vs. J. W. Shepard et al. Settled.

Myrtle Graff vs. John Graff. Dismissed. Kunegunda Wiczek vs. Jacob Wiczek. Dismissed.

State vs. Joseph S. Schepp. Pleaded guilty to burglary and was sentenced to the state prison for one year. Schepp is the young man who stole \$51 from the Soc and St. Paul depot at Junction City on November 24th.

State vs. Hjelmer Olson. Beatty. Satisfactory settlement with the complainant having been made, the case was dismissed on motion of District Attorney Sickelsteel.

State vs. Alfred A. Olson. Defendant arraigned and upon his plea of guilty to being an habitual criminal, he was sentenced to the state prison for one year. Sentence was suspended, however, and he will be paroled.

State vs. Julianna Piska. Defendant arraigned and pleaded not guilty. State vs. John Grocholski. Assault with intent to do great bodily harm. Dismissed by the court.

State vs. Emil Zibell. Abandonment. Defendant arraigned and pleaded not guilty. Having become reconciled to his family, the case was dismissed.

State vs. Leon Ropella. Defendant having made a retraction and a public apology to Miss Agnes Jakubowski, the girl he was charged with slandering, and paying the costs, \$15.60, the case was dismissed.

Jessie May Jackson vs. Arthur A. Jackson. Judgment of divorce. Alfred Ellis vs. Kate Ellis. Ordered that commitment be issued for plaintiff for contempt of court.

State vs. Joseph Kostka. Abandonment. District Atty. Sickelsteel for state, T. H. Hanna for defendant. Tried before the following jurors: Chas. Gussel, Will Karnopp, Thos. Russell, Glen Starr, John Van Ert, Martin Sweeney, Lawrence Nugent, Felix Teitloff, Bert Dopp, Andrew Sroda, John Hartjens and Chris Meyer. Jury disagreed and case put over to the next term of court.

State vs. Fred McCann and Wm. Frazier. Charged with malicious destruction of property in the village of Amherst a couple of months ago. Dist. Atty. Sickelsteel for the state, Geo. B. Nelson for defendants. The following jurors brought in a verdict of not guilty and prisoners discharged: Aug. Bischoff, W. W. Dake, F. A. Ball, J. L. Roy, John Van Order, Frank Podach, Sr., Alex Ringness, C. R. Williams, Olavus Stenerson, Oscar Kellrud, J. P. Kuzickowski and J. L. Jensen.

State vs. John Maciejewski. Discharged on motion of district attorney.

**Municipal Court Cases.**

State vs. Carl Wilmer. Defendant arrested on the charge of forgery at Rosholt a couple of weeks ago. Hearing adjourned to Wednesday, the 23rd inst, on condition that he furnish a bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance, but if unable to do so, the hearing will take place Friday evening of this week.

John and Wm. Flatoff and Felix White, all residents of the vicinity of Meehan, were arrested on the charge of killing a deer in Portage county. Defendants arraigned, plead not guilty and gave bonds in the sum of \$500 each for their appearance next Saturday forenoon.

**Public Library Notes.**

The library board held another meeting Saturday evening, Dec. 5th. Plans were discussed and arrangements made for raising funds to meet the immediate financial obligations.

A book for Christmas makes a most interesting gift. Lists of books suitable for Christmas presents may be found at the library, also books, clippings, stories, programs, poems, etc., appropriate for the holiday observances.

Mrs. F. A. Walters has again presented the library with a number of books, sets of Irving, Eliot, Bulwer and Hugo. The library is also indebted to Miss Nannie R. Gray for a collection of books in the German language.

Miss Marion Humble of the Wisconsin library school and representative of the Wisconsin library commission, who spent a few days here in the interest of the local library, also met and conferred with the members of the board regarding general library business.

**EMPEROR****STRICKEN**

**William Has Pneumonia and Nervous Breakdown, the Dispatches Say.**

**BOTH SIDES CLAIM VICTORIES**

**Germans and Russians in the East Talk of Success—**

**Hard Fighting in the West.**

New York, Dec. 9, 1914, 2:15 p. m. [Special to The Gazette.]—Claims of continued successes are being made by both German and Russian military authorities respecting the fighting in the eastern theatre of war.

The Russians maintain that late fighting has offset the victories at Lodz.

It is evident from the French official statements, the allies have renewed the attack on the Germans on the west.

Emperor William has been stricken with pneumonia and a nervous breakdown, following his recent visit to the front.

**Now Doing Nicely.**

Mrs. J. A. Ennor was called to Lake Mills last Thursday by a telegram announcing the sudden and serious illness of her daughter, Miss Mabel, who is teaching music and art in the public schools of that city. Miss Ennor's condition was considered critical for a few days, but it is a pleasure to announce that she is now doing nicely and her complete recovery is only a matter of a short time. Miss Ennor spent Thanksgiving at her home in this city, and after returning to Lake Mills was taken suddenly ill.

**They Like Montana.**

B. L. Skalitzy and family, who went west a few years ago, first locating at Bozeman, Mont., but now of Dillon, in the same state, seem to be satisfied with their present home and under date of Nov. 25th he says: "Guess it's about time I was writing you, as we can't quite make up our minds to do without the 'good old Gazette,' so please accept the enclosed remittance and put me down for another year, as I would like to take advantage of your special offer. We are having a very beautiful fall here, in fact it has been just like summer. Never saw a nicer Thanksgiving day. It was more like Fourth of July. Last evening we had our first taste of winter, as it grew some colder and had a light flurry of snow, but it is all gone today. The crop was very good thru this section of the country and everybody seems to be happy. War prices have affected us very little as yet. With best regards and kind remembrance to all I am, yours truly, B. L. Skalitzy."

**Local Notes.**

New cut glass of the latest patterns at Martin & Co.'s.

Buy your candy, mixed nuts, oranges, lemons, apples and dates for Christmas at Chas. A. Hamacker's.

Only two more weeks before Christmas to have your photos taken at Martin & Co.'s studio, South Third street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Warner were up from Plover last Saturday and spent the afternoon and evening visiting at the home of their son, George, on Church street.

Reton Bros. have and offer a very complete line of Victrolas and records. Our record list at your service and our knowledge of the whole Victor repertory help in your selection.

Frank Shernanske, of the office force at the Whiting-Plover Paper Co., was called to Menasha the last of the week by the death of his grandfather, Matthew Shernanske, aged 93 years.

Dr. and Mrs. von Neupert and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rothman will entertain the Pastime Whist club at a 7 o'clock dinner this evening at the home of the first named couple on Church street.

The jewelry store of E. A. Arenberg, which is undoubtedly one of the finest establishments of its kind in the entire state, will be open every evening before Christmas after Dec. 11th.

George Trenchia, the second last arrested for taking and driving a horse and carriage owned by E. H. Rossier, at Plover, a few weeks ago, was discharged in municipal court last Saturday.

J. B. Rotnour, manager of the Flora DeVoss Theatrical Co., well known in this city, has purchased the saloon business of Frank Bryant at Rhinelander and will soon take personal possession.

Mrs. Wm. Holmes of Menominee, Mich., and granddaughter, Miss Bessie Holmes of Crystal Falls, have returned home after visiting the former lady's sisters, Mrs. E. M. Copps and Miss Leila Chandler.

John F. Lamont, former mayor of Wausau and a gentleman who has many personal friends in Stevens Point, has been appointed as deputy collector of internal revenue in the district, the appointment being made last week by Burt Williams, collector for the western district.

**WEBER'S BAND BANQUET**

**Annual Supper Given at Oertel's Hall Monday Evening—Many Good Talks Heard.**

The annual banquet of Weber's band, given at Oertel's hall last Monday evening, was attended by every member of the organization now in the city and several invited friends. The spread included chicken, mashed potatoes, baked beans, celery and other good viands, served under the direction of Carl Cadman, Robt. Lutz and several assistants. There was an abundance of everything, which was indeed fortunate, as the crowd proved exceedingly hungry.

C. S. Orthman was assigned the duties of toastmaster, a role he filled with perfection. The first speaker called upon was the band's leader, Prof. Ernest Weber, who gave a resume of the organization during the year and expressed his gratification at the spirit of harmony and general good fellowship which prevailed.

Other addresses were made by Mayor Pasternacki, A. N. Berens, Grant White, President H. L. Bannister, Vice President Claude Eagleburger, Secretary F. L. Keenan, Treasurer Frank Love and several other members of the band. Mr. White, who is himself a band leader of many years' experience, expressed his appreciation of the progress made by the local organization during the past couple of years. He paid high compliments to Mr. Weber's ability as bandmaster and considered our city indeed fortunate in being able to secure and retain the services of such a high grade musician.

All moneys received by the band for their labors during the year is put into the treasury and distributed pro rata at the annual supper. Checks were handed out Monday evening, averaging about \$25. Considering the amount of time and effort expended, the boys get a larger amount of satisfaction than cash.

**Tragedy of 34 Years Ago.**

A tragedy of local interest is recalled by the publication in the Wausau Pilot's "Occurrences of Long Ago" column of the following: Dr. E. L. Hogle, of Stevens Point, was shot down by Dr. James C. Bennett, Tuesday, Aug. 17th, 1880, in the McCrossen block, up stairs. Hogle had come up to practice for a few days, when Bennett, who had been on a long spree, secured a shot gun and deliberately shot his competitor. He was arrested by R. H. Johnson, Bennett was taken to the Columbia county jail for safe keeping. He was sentenced to state's prison for life and afterwards secured a new trial and was given his freedom on the ground of insanity.

**AN IMPORTANT GATHERING**

**Community Institute to be Held in This City Under Auspices of Retailers Association and Normal.**

There was a good attendance at the meeting called by the Retailers' Association at the council chamber, Monday evening, at which time S. E. Carley of Buena Vista spoke upon the question of holding a community institute, a matter in which he is much interested, and therefore gave his subject an enthusiastic explanation. Mr. Carley spoke of the success these gatherings meet with elsewhere, and at the conclusion a committee consisting of A. M. Copps, R. K. McDonald, Wm. Moll, J. J. Norington and N. M. Urbanowski was appointed to solicit the necessary funds, while the secretary, L. J. Seeger, was authorized to communicate with W. K. Mitchell of the University Extension Division relative to securing dates, which it is hoped will be from Jan. 19th to 21st, the dates set for the poultry show in this city, but the latter can be postponed in the event that the institute is set for a later time, as it is desired that both be held at the same time.

The Retailers' Association will be assisted largely in the undertaking by the Stevens Point Normal, as well as by the University Extension Division, the Normal having been engaged in work along these lines for several years and is therefore familiar with their workings.

A meeting of committees will be held at the Normal school at 3 o'clock this afternoon, at which time Mr. Mitchell will be present and dates set for holding the meeting.

**Keep the Carriers Out.**

Postmaster Stapleton of Rhinelander has issued to local letter carriers orders that on and after tomorrow they must not enter saloons for the purpose of delivering mail. In order to insure safe delivery of mail, Mr. Stapleton advises saloon keepers to place receptacles on the front doors of their business places or cut slots in the doors through which mail may be dropped.

**John Sellers Improving.**

While acting in his capacity as constable, driving out into the town of Sharon to serve some papers and when about to get into his buggy to drive home, John Sellers received a paralytic stroke, affecting his entire left side. He had the reins in his hand at the time and although the horses started up, he managed to retain his hold until the team was stopped by a resident there. Mr. Sellers was brought to his home that night by his son, E. W. Sellers in the latter's auto. Although his condition has been serious, his speech as well as the entire side being affected, he is slowly improving in all respects and will be about again in due time.



James Milling Co. is dam, and moved that the city attorney be instructed to represent the city. Same was seconded and carried.

W. L. Bronson, City Clerk.

## LANARK.

Mrs. J. Gordon is sick at her home. Miss Winifred Warty spent Monday in Amherst.

Miss Maud Boustley is spending a few days at the Vicker home at Lower Amherst.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gray visited her daughter, Mrs. John Droske, in Amherst, Saturday.

Rev. J. E. Mesagher and mother arrived Saturday from a few days' visit at Green Bay.

## AMHERST.

Mrs. Frank Makuskie is on the sick list.

Lambert Nelson was down from Rosholt Sunday.

Miss Bonalyn Biron visited in Stevens Point Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Connell and Miss Emily Philips spent Saturday in Stevens Point.

Morris Lucey returned Thursday from a few days' visit in Oshkosh.

Mrs. H. A. Wilson and daughter, Bessie, were in Oshkosh last Tuesday.

Elmer Aldrich of Hancock visited relatives in town a few days last week.

Charles Pratt was called to Oshkosh on account of the illness of his mother.

A. C. Wilson, traveling freight agent for the Soo line, was home over Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. Fleming and daughter, Frances, made a trip to Oshkosh last Saturday.

Henry Brathovde, Alf and Oscar Skoglund are visiting relatives near Albert Lea, Minn.

Miss Pearl Wilson spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. W. J. Delaney at Stevens Point.

Otto Maves has sold his farm of 80 acres in the town of Buena Vista to Andrew Potoka for \$4,500.

Mrs. E. T. Johnson was a guest of Mrs. W. F. Atwell at Stevens Point last Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. P. Peterson and daughter, Anice, who were Oshkosh visitors last week, returned home Tuesday.

The Ladies' Aid, entertained by Mrs. A. J. Wilson and Mrs. A. C. Peterson, was largely attended and much enjoyed.

Mrs. Beattie Anderson, who has been laid up with a sore foot, caused by stepping on a rusty nail, is able to be around again.

The teachers and several other friends surprised Mrs. E. T. Johnson at her home last Thursday evening and a very pleasant time was spent playing "500."

Mrs. W. C. Connell and baby, who had been guests of the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Phillips, returned to their home near Chippewa Falls the first of the week.

Alf Anderson and Christ Moe are building a residence in Nelsonville for Isaac Olson of New Hope, who will retire from the hard farm work he has followed for many years.

Louis Lindquist's fine farm house in Lanark and the contents were destroyed by fire last Saturday night at about 11 o'clock. Loss, \$2,500. Insured in the New Hope Fire Insurance Company.

Chas. Pratt, who is interested in horse dealing in the Wallace Mahanna barn on Mill street, lost a fine horse last Wednesday, one he had paid \$225 for. The animal was kicked by its mate and so badly injured it had to be killed.

The Five Hundred Club will meet with Mrs. J. P. Peterson Thursday afternoon at 2:30. They spent a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. L. C. Wooster last Thursday. Members of this new organization are as follows: Mesdames J. J. Nelson, P. N. Peterson, L. A. Pomeroy, A. P. Een, A. C. Wilson,

C. M. Dwinell, J. P. Peterson, S. A. Mason, C. S. Bumpus, L. C. Wooster, C. W. Utgard, G. W. Smith.

Pat Meddaugh and wife returned home from Grand Rapids last week.

Harley Ameigh of Plainfield came up Saturday night and spent Sunday with his brother, George and wife.

Mrs. Morris Burgess and son Leslie of Plainfield spent Sunday here with her parents, Geo. Felch and family.

Mrs. Ruby Beggs was called to Harris last week to care for her mother, Mrs. Campbell, who is very ill.

A large crowd attended the Aid Society at the home of Mrs. Albert Manley last Wednesday. Proceeds

amounted to \$5 15. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Guy Hutchinson, Wednesday, Dec. 16th.

Nearly 250 men, women and children gathered at M. W. A. hall last Friday night to listen to the talk given by Rev. James Calverley, taking for his subject Germany's reasons for war.

H. L. Kellogg acted as chairman of the evening. Mr. Fairbanks, Mr. Ostrum and Rev. Calverley sang two very fine selections.

Stamping of all kinds at Langenberg's Art Store.

Prompt Action Will Stop Cough. When you first catch a cold (often indicated by a sneeze or cough), break it up at once. The idea that "it does not matter" often leads to serious complications. The remedy which immediately and easily penetrates the lining of the throat is the kind demanded. Dr. King's New Discovery soothes the irritation, loosens the phlegm. You feel better at once. "It seemed to reach the very spot of my cough" is one of many honest testimonials. 50c at your druggist.

Witness our hands, at the office of the County Board of Supervisors, at Stevens Point in said county, this 7th day of November, A. D. 1914.

A. E. BOURN, County Clerk, JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge, ROBT. MAINE, Citizen, Board of County Canvassers.

Of the vote cast for and against the several Constitutional Amendments submitted to the people at the General Election held in the several towns, wards, villages and election districts in the County of Portage on the Tuesday succeeding the first Monday of November, A. D. 1914, being the third day of said month.

TOWNS, WARDS, Etc.

FOR AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE XI AUTHORIZING CHANGES IN OR ADDITIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION BY THREE-FIFTHS OF THE MEMBERS ELECTED TO BOTH HOUSES OF THE LEGISLATURE.

FOR AMENDMENT TO SECTION 2 OF ARTICLE IV, PROVIDING FOR THE INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM AND GIVING TO THE PEOPLE THE POWER TO REJECT LAWS OR PROPOSED LAWS.

FOR AMENDMENT CREATING SECTION 11 OF ARTICLE VIII, PERMITTING INSURANCE BY THE STATE AND PROVIDING THAT THE STATE MAY GRANT MONIES, WITH AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION OF ALL INCOME AND SAVING OF ALL INCOME, TO THE STATE FUND.

FOR AMENDMENT CREATING SECTION 12 OF ARTICLE XI, GIVING TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS STATE THE RIGHT OF HOME RULE.

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FOR AMENDMENT CREATING SECTION 13 OF ARTICLE VIII, PERMITTING THE PROPERTY WHICH MAY BE TAKEN BY MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

FOR AMENDMENT CREATING SECTION 14 OF ARTICLE XII, REQUIRING THE LEGISLATURE UPON PETITION TO SUBMIT CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE PEOPLE FOR ADOPTION OR REJECTION.

FOR AMENDMENT CREATING SECTION 15 OF ARTICLE VIII, PERMITTING THE STATE TO PROVIDE FOR STATE INSURANCE WITH AN ANNUAL APPROPRIATION OF ALL INCOME AND SAVING OF ALL INCOME, TO THE STATE FUND.

FOR AMENDMENT TO SECTION 21 OF ARTICLE IV, CHANGING THE TERM OF THE LEGISLATURE TO SIX HANDRED DOLLARS PER YEAR AND DECREASING THE MILEAGE ALLOWANCE.

TOTALS.

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E. A. Arenberg

1914

Wishes to announce that his Large and and Elegant line of Holiday Goods is now open for inspection.

Our special effort this season in the direction of Original Novelties and New Features has met with most gratifying success, and we shall deem it a privilege to show you a very extensive assortment of Holiday Goods that are as *New* as they are *Pleasing* and *Appropriate*.

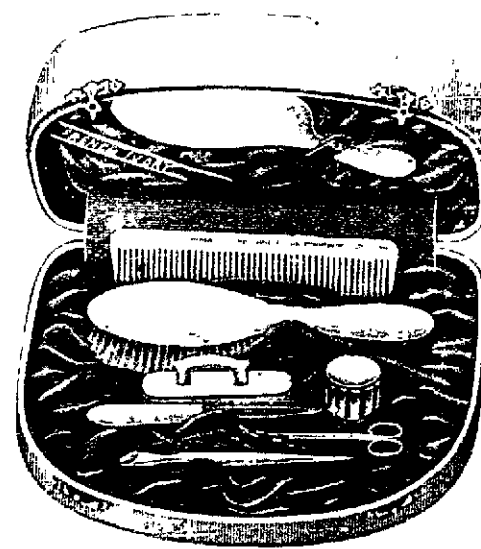
We Invite Your Attention to the Latest and Best in the Line of



Card Cases  
Shaving Sets  
Writing Sets  
Smoking Sets  
Cloth Brushes  
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Bar Pins  
Lace Pins  
Stick Pins  
Cuff Buttons  
Fob Chains  
Clocks  
Cut Glass  
Mesh Bags  
Pearl Goods  
Emblem Goods  
Military Brushes  
Fine Vanity Cases

Watch Chains  
Pendant Neck Chains  
Hat Pins  
Scarf Holders  
Watch Charms  
Souvenir Spoon  
Gold-filled Rosaries  
Toilet Sets  
Jewel Cases  
Match Safes  
Fountain Pens  
Chafing Dishes  
Coffee Machines  
Hand-painted China  
Silver Photo Frames  
Brass and Copper Goods



High Grade Umbrellas  
Silver and Gold  
Pocket Knives  
Sterling Silver and  
Silver-Plated Ware  
Tea and Coffee Sets  
Opera Glasses, Etc.

Throughout our stock are many choice and desirable gifts, from the finest to the most inexpensive, yet all grades

The BEST of Their KIND

Remember that we represent all things as they are and regulate the price by the true value of the article.

We have the NEWEST and CHOICEST in that pleasing variety which insures an easy selection of appropriate gifts for old and young. We feel confident that the most critical examination of our complete and very appropriate lines of desirable Holiday Goods will convince you of their superiority in merit and price.

LOOK THROUGH OUR BEAUTIFUL STOCK; YOU WILL SURELY BE PLEASED

Official Watch Inspector  
"Soo" Line

E. A. Arenberg

Store open evenings until  
Christmas after Dec. 11

447 Main Street

Stevens Point Wisconsin



# A Great Mass of Proof

## Reports of 30,000 Cases of Kidney Trouble, Some of Them Stevens Point Cases.

Each of some 6,000 newspapers of the United States is publishing from week to week, names of people in its particular neighborhood, who have used and recommended Doan's Kidney Pills for kidney backache, weak kidneys, bladder troubles and urinary disorders. This mass of proof includes over 30,000 recommendations. Stevens Point is no exception. Here is one of the Stevens Point cases:

James B. Carpenter, justice of the peace, 211 Dixon street, Stevens Point, says: "I was confined to my office most of the time and my back ached so badly that I could hardly straighten up. My kidneys were weak and not only annoyed me during the day, but broke my rest at night. I had been in bad shape for a long time when a friend told me about Doan's Kidney Pills. I used them and kept on until I was cured. That happened about four years ago, and I have had a sound back and strong kidneys ever since, regardless of my advanced age."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Carpenter had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

## THE BIG CHRISTMAS

THE trust magnate was breakfasting sitting opposite his handsome, haughty looking wife. The room was done in oak and tapestry, and in the great fireplace a fire of yule logs burned.

He was iron gray, thin, tired looking with an occasional attractive twinkle in his eye. She was inclined to be stout; her hair was snow white, elaborately dressed. A shadowy sweetness lingered in the corners of her mouth.

"Do you remember one Christmas day, so many years ago," she questioned him, "when we were so poor we had no dinner?"

"Clearly. And now we have no questions," he remarked. "And one Christmas when you were so ill and we were in a hotel and so uncomfortable?"

He nodded cheerfully. "You are forgetting the big Christmas," he remarked.

"We've had so many of them together," she said, "it makes me feel quite old and a little bit sad."

"Think back," he said, "to one Christmas night that we were together in the sleigh on the old mill road. There were stars in the sky, and it was cold. You were snuggling close to me."

"Why, Harry, we weren't engaged then."

"You were one of those snugglesome girls, Mary. I repeat, you were crowding me some, but I didn't mind it. You wore a red knitted hood tied under your chin and a—tip-tet—yes that's it, a tip-tet of white fur with little black specks on it like a cat."

"Ermine, you foolish boy."

"And suddenly we bumped over something and you were scared, and the next thing—you had kissed me."

"It was you that kissed me. The idea—why?"

"How could I? I was driving. You deliberately kissed me, Mary. Don't deny it after all these years."

"I don't remember it, Harry."

"I remember it distinctly, for I had always wanted to; but, being a modest youth, I was afraid. But that delightful bump in the road broke the ice. I dropped the reins and asked you to marry me. You said yes. You remember now, don't you?"

She was blushing faintly, and the shadows that had been dimples deepened at her lips. She nodded her head.

"The horse jumped. Over went the sleigh, and we tumbled into a big snow drift, not quite knowing what was the matter. The horse, being the one lively stable back in the place, was used to lovers, so he just stood still, looking back at us while I righted the cutter and lifted you in. We were the happiest two in the world, weren't we?"

"Yes," she said softly.

"That was the big Christmas, Mary."

**Lunar Rainbows.**  
Lunar rainbows are seldom observed in the temperate zone. Very likely the physical phenomenon occurs frequently, but is invisible because of the faintness of the moon's light. In the tropics, where moonlight is more intense, says the Scientific American, lunar rainbows are more frequently observed. They are by no means rare at Reunion Island. At all places the phenomenon is most frequently seen at full moon when the moon's light is highest, but it has been seen in various phases of the moon. It was first observed by Aristotle. A lunar rainbow is produced at full moon by the spray of the great Victoria falls of the Yguassu, in Brazil.

**Worse Off.**

"The bachelor is worse off than the married man? How do you make that out?"

"The married man is afraid of only one woman; the bachelor is afraid of all of them."—Houston Post.

Henry Lutz made a business trip to Milwaukee last week.  
Rev. John Kendall of Buena Vista was a pleasant business caller here last week Friday.  
Mike McMann of Stevens Point was through here last week selling remedies for the King Medical Co.  
Garrett Fox returned home last week from Alma Center, where he spent the summer on a large dairy farm.  
Several of the Sunday school members expect to attend a county meeting at Amherst this week Thursday and Friday.  
Several from here who are members of the Beaver colony at Plover report an enjoyable time at a gathering last Saturday night.  
The Misses Nettie Clusman and Myrtle Slack will go to Waupaca this week, where they expect to spend the winter as helpers at the Veterans' Home.  
Mrs. Edwin Parks has been confined to her bed for the past two weeks with lung trouble, being threatened with pneumonia. Her case is quite serious and at the present writing is improving only very slowly.  
The old farm known to most people as the Munger place has been sold to Mr. Morse of Ogdensburg, who has moved onto the same with his family and is now a local resident. Mike Wojak, who was occupying the house, has moved to the Antone Green place, now owned by John Adams of Plover.  
While skinning a horse one day last week, Frank Hale stuck a sharp knife in his leg and severed one of the large blood vessels, which came near being a serious accident. Dr. Whiteside was called and dressed the wound and now Frank is hobbling around on crutches and dreads to even think about knives or war stories.  
Walter Dale, who recently disposed of his property at auction sale, loaded the remainder of his stock and his household goods in a car last Thursday for shipment to Grant county, his future home. Tim Fox accompanied him on the journey and may decide to spend the winter in the fair land of southern Wisconsin.

**DANCY.**  
The potato crop and market are both badly in need of medical assistance.  
Miss Julia Clark of Schofield spent a day here recently with Mrs. Knoller.  
Fred Schulz, one of Eau Claire's leading farmers, is hauling material for a fine new barn he expects to erect the coming spring.  
The beautiful fall and winter weather we have been having is a great aid to the farmers, as stock can still run on pastures.  
J. C. Conliff was re-elected sheriff of Churchill county, Nevada, at the recent election. The sheriff in that state collects the taxes, as well as looking after his other official duties.  
M. Wozniak, who owned an 80 acre farm close to this village, recently traded his place for a farm near Moon, Marathon county. A farmer from near Junction City has purchased the Wozniak place.  
The many friends of Mrs. Harmena Stark of Knowlton, who was recently taken to St. Mary's hospital at Wausau, hope for her speedy recovery. Mrs. Stark has been in poor health for some time.  
Parties were here recently from Eau Claire, negotiating the purchase of C. E. Milward's fine farm close to Dancy. Lands in this locality are going up by leaps and bounds, and the dairy cow accounts for the increase in value.  
Mary Straub, who is employed as nurse at El Paso, Texas, accompanied home the remains of her sister, Lena, who died recently and were taken to the family home near Rice Lake, funeral services being held at the Catholic church, Rozellville. Another sister, Anna, of Milwaukee, was also present.  
A section of land in Dancy drainage district was sold recently to Grand Rapids parties who are heavily interested in the development of drained lands in other districts. Four hundred acres of these lands were recently sold to a party from southern Minnesota, who made his money in this class of lands in Illinois in early days.  
M. Wunch recently disposed of his 80 acre farm near the H. M. Jones farm at Rice Lake for \$6,000 to a party from Marshfield. Only a short time ago these lands sold for \$10 per acre, and fifteen years ago the writer signed a deed for part of the Chas. Daul farm, adjoining the Wunch land, at \$5 per acre, but which are now held at \$100 in cultivated state.  
M. Baisley, son and son-in-law and family from Whitewater moved here within the past few days and are now nicely settled in their recently acquired land, four miles west of here on the Week road. Mr. Baisley is in business at Whitewater and will remain here only a short time to get work under way on his place. It is his intention to get the land growing feed for stock as soon as possible and put on dairy cows. He thinks this section of country has a great future for that business. Lands around Whitewater sell for from \$150 to \$250 per acre and for the young person starting it requires too much capital, with little increase in value to look for.

**Notice to Members.**  
The New Hope Norwegian Mutual Fire Insurance Company hereby gives notice that an application for membership from farmers in township No. 26, range 10 east, and a recommendation from members in township No. 25, range 10 east, that said township No. 26, in the town of Franzen, Marathon county, be added to our territory for insurance. Said application will be laid before the annual meeting on January 13, 1915.

E. P. Kalstad, Sec.  
New Hope, Wis., Dec. 1, 1914.

**Sick Headache.**

Sick headache is nearly always caused by disorders of the stomach. Correct them and the periodical attacks of sick headache will disappear. Mrs. John Bishop of Roseville, Ohio, writes: "About a year ago I was troubled with indigestion and had sick headache that lasted two or three days at a time. I doctored and tried a number of remedies but nothing helped me until during one of those sick spells a friend advised me to take Chamberlain's Tablets. This medicine relieved me in a short time." For sale by all dealers.

**Under the Holly Bough.**

Ye who have scorned each other  
Or injured friend or brother  
In this fast fading year,  
Ye who by word or deed  
Have made a kind heart bleed  
Come gather here  
Let sinners against and sinning  
Forget their strife's beginning  
And join in friendship now  
Be like no longer  
Be sweet forgiveness  
Under the holly bough  
—Charles Macfady.

# How Cubans Celebrate Christmas.

CUBANS celebrate Christmas, but not in the same manner that Americans do. Santa Claus is unknown in Havana. There are no chimneys by which he could enter houses, and there is no snow on which his sleigh can glide. So the little Cubans do not hang up their stockings in expectation of gifts.

The Cubans give presents in connection with the Christmas celebration, but this is done on Jan. 6, "El Dia de los Reyes." The day of the kings Cuba celebrates the visit of the three wise men—Balthazar, Melchior and Gaspar—to the infant Jesus with their offerings of gold, frankincense and myrrh. This is the annual love gift day, when the Cubans give their children and dear ones beautiful presents in our bountiful Christmas manner.

In Cuba you don't ask a child, "What do you want Santa Claus to bring you?" but, "What are the wise men of the east going to give you?"

Instead of our Christmas day dinner, the Cubans have a great family reunion, the Christmas eve supper, called the "cena de noche buena," or "supper of the good night." The long table is graced by three and four generations of the large families in gay attire.

The Christmas eve supper is the great yearly family feast in which the elder generation gives a blessing to the young somewhat akin to that of the old patriarchs. The long festal board is spread in the great dining room, the high ceiling and walls of which are covered with festoons and floral decorations. The table is also adorned with Cuba's many fruits, fragrant flowers, tall paraffin colored candles and a monstrous golden cornucopia filled with delicious Cuban sweets. No big roast Christmas turkey is seen, but instead a plump, juicy, gayly bedecked roast pig is the table's centerpiece.

A famous accompanying dish is the great pyramid of boiled white rice and black beans, or "Moros y Cristianos," as the Cubans dub it in remembrance of the wars between the Moors and Christians in old Spain. This delicacy is much relished, and many are the ancestral jests made in the eating of it. The choicest vintages of Spain are served in abundance, and the air is fragrant with tobacco smoke.

The Christmas eve dinner of several hours concludes with the thick black Spanish chocolate and various liqueurs made in Cuba. At midnight the cock crow mass commemorating our Saviour's birth is announced by the ringing of the great bronze bells in Havana's many churches. Blares of snail trumpets, guitar serenades in the streets and joyous singing of many Christmas carols accompany the thousands of worshippers to the ceremony.

In Havana this mass is largely attended by the devout, and the narrow streets leading to the cathedral and other churches are crowded by the worshippers. The church services are most impressive. Large bodies of well trained voices beautify the mass. There are no pews in the Cuban churches. The worshippers kneel on the marble floor or on cushions brought for the purpose. There is perfect democracy in the service. Rich and poor alike share in the mass.

The Christmas afternoon is devoted to many outdoor games. Hatless, coatless, shoeless, the young Cubans play along the coral ocean shores and great palm tree avenues. The goat is the children's favorite animal, and he is kept busy on Christmas day drawing the youngsters throughout all the parks.

The Spaniards in Cuba retain some old customs of their native land. The swarthy seniors form rings of dancers in public plazas and sing Spain's many old sacred airs. The bandurrias and guitaras, much like our banjo ditties, are pleasing accompaniments.

The wealthier Spanish and Cuban families spend Christmas week at their stately homes on the vast sugar plantations in Santa Clara, Pinar del Principe and other provinces. They gather about them merry house parties, which continue until the New Year's. Their hospitality is generous, and Americans are fortunate to be guests. The grandparents have there several generations of children and renew the old peninsular Christmas customs.

A sumptuous evening dinner is followed by the languorous Spanish dance. An aristocratic old don will lead the papalote, which is similar to our old fisher's hornpipe. He is followed by the young seniors and seniors often in gay Spanish court costumes.

Throughout the smaller towns of Cuba's provinces the poorer classes during the Christmas week hang on the front walls of their humble homes a large basket. The passerby is cordially greeted from the door and windows of the shack or peasant's more pretentious home with a most cordial "May God bless you and yours for ever and ever." In return the recipients of the benediction put small coins, Christmas fruits and delicacies and religious ornaments in the hanging basket.

**Under the Holly Bough.**

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# \$100 REWARD, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by all druggists, 75c.  
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

James Clark, William Hogan and Frederick J. Corrigan were found guilty of assault with intent to commit robbery in connection with the attempted hold up of the Franklin Park, Ill., State bank.

**Your Cold Is Dangerous.**

Break It Up—Now.  
A cold is readily catching. A run-down system is susceptible to germs. You owe it to yourself and to others of your household to fight the germs at once. Dr. Bell's Fine-Tar-Honey is fine for colds and coughs. It loosens the mucous, stops the cough and soothes the lungs. It's guaranteed. Only 25c at your druggist.

Poetic License.  
"What do you understand by 'poetic license?'" "A pull with a magazine editor."—Washington Star.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Gifford*

Got a Run For His Money.

"Our water pipe got clogged up and the renowned plumber charged me \$20 for fixing it. It's an imposition!"

"Well, you can't say you didn't get a run for your money."—Boston Transcript.

**A Test for Liver Complaint.**

Mentally Unhappy—Physically Dull.  
The liver, sluggish and inactive, first shows itself in a mental state—unhappy and critical. Never is there joy in living, as when the stomach and liver are doing their work. Keep your liver active and healthy by using Dr. King's New Life Pills; they empty the bowels freely, tone up your stomach, cure your constipation and purify the blood. 25c at druggists. Bucklen's Arnica Salve excellent for piles.

# CITY FRUIT EXCHANGE

The Leading Fruit Store

New Frost Block TELEPHONE 51

## Solicits Your Holiday Trade



### FRESH FRUITS and CANDIES

### NUTS, FIGS, DATES

### ORANGES and VEGETABLES

We carry the Largest and Best assortment of Christmas Candies and Nuts in the city.

Box Candy a Specialty.

We have a fine line that we are selling at 10 cents per pound, with Special Rates to Schools, Churches. You will do well to call on us before placing your order.

Apples—In barrel lots. A large assortment. Christmas prices, \$2.25 to \$3 per bbl.

## THE Continental Clothing Store

### HAS THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

And has just received an excellent line of acceptable articles suitable for Christmas Presents. The line is new and up-to-date in every department, including

### Ties Cuffs Shirts Collars Hose

### Hats Caps Mufflers Gloves

### Garters Fancy Vests Smoking Jackets

### Bath Robes Etc.

We have a fine line of Suit Cases and Traveling Bags

No Store in the City Carries a Larger Line of

### Ready-to-Wear

## Suits and Overcoats

Than We Do. Call and See Our Fine Stock.

# CONTINENTAL

## CLOTHING STORE



BUENA VISTA.

Barnesdale's moving pictures will be shown at Beaver hall next Saturday evening, Dec. 12th. An enjoyable and instructive entertainment is guaranteed.

The second number on the Buena Vista Lecture Course, Dr. Lester M. Randolph, was a most enjoyable treat. Dr. Randolph delighted his audience for an hour and a half and indulged them in a series of views from his favorite subject, "The American Boy." The unanimous invitation to return speaks in itself of his ability as an entertainer.

ARNOTT.

Miss Burant has left for Kewaunee for an indefinite time.

Barnesdale's Moving Picture Co. showed here on Saturday evening.

Adeline Kluck of Custer spent a week at the home of her brother, Van.

Miss Katherine Cox spent Thursday at the home of Mrs. John Jacobs, south of Arnott.

S. Earl Carley was at Stevens Point attending the Merchants Association on Monday.

Martin Simonis and family spent Thursday and Friday at the home of Peter Koltz.

Elmer Steinko and Felix Kirsling left for Duluth, where they will spend the winter months.

Mrs. Delaney of Amherst made a day's visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Scherke on Thursday.

Mrs. R. Peterson returned to her home at Monico after making a week's visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Steinko.

Laundry accepted at the Arnott depot. Ship every two weeks. Also take measures for made-to-order suits and overcoats, made by Schunbrun & Co., high classed tailors. Edw. P. Peot, station agent, Arnott, Wis.

JUNCTION CITY.

Little Harold Verthein is very sick with scarlet fever.

Dr. Murphy is certainly a busy man at the present time.

Lucile Graashorn went to Stevens Point last Saturday.

Albert Daggert, Soo line operator, is home for a vacation.

School will be closed for two weeks because of contagious diseases in the vicinity.

Chas. G. Swanson and daughter, Mrs. Anna McVyre, transacted business in Stevens Point last Monday.

Wm. Hersee spoke on the bible in our village last Saturday evening to about fifty people. The topics were very interesting and all those who heard him hope for a return visit. He left Monday morning for Stevens Point, where he gave another talk at the E. L. Ross residence.

Last Thursday evening, at the Pitt school house, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Van Hecke of Stevens Point, gave a very interesting talk on temperance. Mr. Van Hecke certainly could picture the "devil" out in grand style. Mrs. Van Hecke gave a reading, after which a program was given by the little tots. There were about 75 or 80 people who attended. There will be another talk on the same subject at the Pitt school this coming Friday. The speakers will be Mr. Bingham of Madison and O. A. Stolen of this village. Everyone is invited to come.

POLOVER.

Miss Mary Bourn has returned home from Junction City.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Moss on Friday morning, a son.

Mrs. William Plummer of Waupaca is visiting with friends.

Miss Cynthia Dickerman visited in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Fayette Skinner, who had been employed in LaCrosse, has returned home.

Barnesdale's moving pictures at the Beaver hall in Buena Vista next Saturday evening, Dec. 12th. Don't neglect to attend.

Frank Halladay, Jr. is making a survey on the Green Bay & W. R. R. between Plover and Stevens Point, as required by law.

There will be an "old fashioned" dance at Plover Post hall on Friday evening, Dec. 11th. Good music. Supper will be served.

Rev. Kendall will conduct services next Sunday, Dec. 13th, as follows:

A Nervous Wreck

Had No Desire To Live — Peruna Is A Tonic and Strength Builder So Says



Mrs. Frank Stroebe, R. F. D. 1, Appleton, Wis. Her letter reads: "I began using Peruna a few months ago when my health and strength were all gone, and I was nothing but a nervous wreck. Could not sleep, eat or rest properly, and felt no desire to live. "Three bottles of Peruna made me look at life in a different light, as I began to regain my lost strength. While my recovery took nearly four months, at the end of that time I was better than I ever had been before. I had a splendid color and never weighed more in my life. "I certainly think Peruna is without a rival as a tonic and strength builder, and it has my endorsement." Mr. Charles Brown, R. R. 4, Box 79, Rogersville, Tenn., writes: "I have tried many different remedies, but have found that Peruna is the greatest tonic on earth, and a perfect system builder."

At Buena Vista in the morning; Calkins at 2:30 p. m., and Plover in the evening.

Sunday afternoon, Dec. 6th, at 10 o'clock, the Angel of Death called again in Plover and took from us Mrs. Lucy J. Cross. Lucy J. Pennard was born in Auburn, New York, in October, 1851. She came to Wisconsin when eight years old and entered the home of her aunt, Mrs. Arnold, where she lived until her marriage to Horatio Harroun in 1868. To this marriage was born seven children, five of them still living, all being present at the funeral except Mrs. Mary Toppin of Spooner, Minn. Those who came from a distance were Mrs. Clara M. Demerle, her husband and daughter, Mrs. Etta McCoy, of Syracuse, New York; Wm. L. Harroun of Biron, Wis.; Seth L. Harroun of Plover and Horatio Harroun of Buena Vista, with their families. These with the husband, Albert Cross, are left to mourn the loss of a loving mother and faithful wife. Mr. Harroun died about 15 years ago, and some 8 years ago the now deceased lady was married to Albert Cross.

Funeral services were conducted from the home and Plover Methodist church Tuesday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. John Kendall, and the body was laid to rest in Plover cemetery. The pallbearers were the three sons and son-in-law, Mr. Demerle, of the deceased.

The husband and children wish to express their thanks to the friends who assisted them during the sickness, death and burial of wife and mother. Albert Cross and Family.

Local News.

Bert Dwinell, the heavy light man at Amherst, was a business visitor to this city Tuesday.

Something entirely new, the Roseville pottery, at Martin & Co's. Don't fail to see it.

A. E. Dafeo, one of Eau Pleine's energetic tillers of the soil, looked after business matters in town Tuesday.

Mrs. L. H. Moll of Edgar came down the first of the week for a visit with relatives here and at her old home near Arnott.

Just received, some large white and colored berry bowls which go with the Pagel Milling coupons. Sixteen coupons for one dish.

M. H. Ward was home from Mosinee from Friday until Monday evening, the paper mill there being shut down for a day to do some necessary repairs.

The three months old child of Jos. Guth, a resident of Phillips street, died last Saturday and was buried in St. Peter's cemetery Monday morning.

T. Olsen has just received a new grade of soft coal—"Cast Iron Egg" coal. It is excellent for all kinds of heating purposes. Hard and soft mill wood—cordwood, mixed, birch and maple.

W. B. LaSelle of Rhinelander, a former Stevens Pointer, underwent an operation at St. Augustine's hospital, Chicago, last week, and according to late reports from that city is doing nicely.

W. E. Stoppenbach and H. S. Furminger of the Whiting-Plover Co. plant, spent the latter part of the week in Milwaukee, where a "safety first" meeting was held among paper mill men.

Supt. J. E. Roberts, head of the Fond du Lac schools, will act as coach for the high school basketball team of that city and his decision to accept the position will no doubt prove most beneficial to the team.

Mrs. Martha Grant Baker, who has been making her headquarters at Waupaca a few weeks, visited among friends in this city last week. Mrs. Baker expects to spend most of the winter in Colorado.

Mrs. John Ligman, aged 63 years, died at her home on Forest street, North Side, last Friday and was buried from St. Peter's church Monday morning. She was a pioneer resident of this city and county.

Peter Trierweiler has purchased the Bandow stone residence at 220 Water street, taking possession of this spacious house last week. The house at 636 Water street, owned and vacated by him, is now occupied by E. E. Pagel and family.

This issue of The Gazette contains a large amount of advertising from merchants who have holiday goods for sale. Each and every advertiser is absolutely reliable and it will be to your interest to carefully read the announcements and suggestions.

A. A. Skalski, the Clark st. grocer, returned last week from a month's stay in Milwaukee, where he received treatment from Dr. Schneider, the eye specialist. Mr. Skalski's eyes have been weak for several years but he comes back much benefitted.

Mrs. Chas. Hammon and little daughter, Ruth, came up from Lanark, Saturday morning, to join Mr. Hammon, who had represented his town on the county board. All spent Sunday and a part of Monday at the homes of his father, Steve Hammon, and sister, Mrs. Ed. Bardon, in the town of Linwood.

Wm. Hucks, son of Alvin Hucks of the town of Plover, joined the Red Cross brigade in Ohio a few weeks ago and it is supposed that he is now doing duty in either Germany or England. Will. is well known in this city and his native town, and it is believed he will prove a valuable member of the above named organization.

Ernest Bates, manager of the Sherman Sand Co., whose property is located just below the city limits, expects to continue loading cars all winter for shipment of their products to various parts of the state. They are now at work on a contract for 700 yards of sand for the Blodgett Cheese Co. of Marshfield, to be used for mixing concrete on a new warehouse being constructed.

Institute Postponed.

Elsewhere in this issue is announced a teachers' institute to be held at Junction City next week. This has been postponed indefinitely, the date for holding to be announced later.

(1st pub. Dec. 9—Ins. 8)  
COUNTY COURT NOTICE—State of Wisconsin, Portage County, in County Court, in the matter of the will of Nicholas Dehlinger, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that at a regular term of the county court, to be held in and for said county at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, on the first Tuesday, (and the 5th day) of January, A. D. 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M. or as soon after as the matter can be reached, the following matter will be heard and considered:  
The application of John Himes, administrator with the will annexed of the will of Nicholas Dehlinger, deceased, for the examination and allowance of his final account and for an order assigning said estate according to the terms of said will.  
Dated this 8th day of December, A. D. 1914.  
By the Order of Court,  
JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.  
Fisher, Hanna & Cashin, Attorneys for the Petitioner.

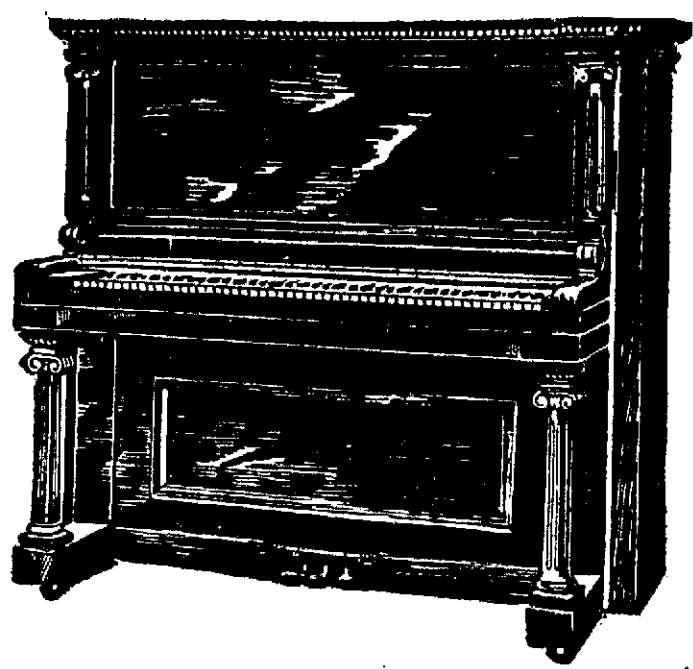
(1st pub. Dec. 9—Ins. 7)  
NOTICE OF SALE ON EXECUTION, State of Wisconsin—In Circuit Court—Portage County, John C. Somers, plaintiff, vs. Henry H. Soule, defendant.  
By virtue of an execution duly issued out of the office of the clerk of the circuit court of Portage county, state of Wisconsin, duly attested and to me directed and delivered, upon a judgment in the above entitled action, docketed in the said court on the 28th day of November, A. D. 1914, for the sum of \$1,674.10, damages and \$23.75 costs, I have levied upon, and will expose for sale and sell at public auction and vendue to the highest bidder, at the west front door of the court house in the city of Stevens Point, county of Portage and state of Wisconsin, on the 23rd day of January, A. D. 1915, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, all the interest the above named defendant, Henry H. Soule, had on the 25th day of November, A. D. 1914, the date of the docketing of the said judgment in the office aforesaid, and all the interest which he has since acquired, in and to the following described real estate, situated in the county of Portage and state of Wisconsin, to wit: The whole North East quarter (N. E. 1/4) and the North half (N. 1/2) of the South East quarter (S. E. 1/4) of Section No. Ten (10), Township No. Twenty-one (21) North, Range No. Seven (7) East, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the amount of said judgment, with interest, together with the costs of execution and sale.  
Dated at Stevens Point, Wis., December 8th A. D. 1914.  
JOHN F. KUBISIAK, Sheriff Portage County, Wis.  
Fisher, Hanna & Cashin, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

(1st pub. Dec. 9—4 ins.)  
STATE OF WISCONSIN—In County Court—Portage County, in the matter of the will of Nicholas Dehlinger, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that at the regular term of the county court to be held in and for said county at the court house in the city of Stevens Point, in said county, on the first Tuesday of January, A. D. 1915, the following matter will be heard, considered, examined and adjusted:  
The application of Carl M. Dehlinger for a conveyance to him of certain real estate by the executor to him of the will annexed, of the will of Nicholas Dehlinger, deceased, pursuant to a last contract dated the 3rd day of December, 1914, made by such decedent in his life-time, as set forth in a petition now pending in said court.  
Dated December 7th, A. D. 1914.  
By the Court,  
JOHN A. MURAT, County Judge.  
Fisher, Hanna & Cashin, Attorneys.

The Time

THE PIANO

The Place



Upon request of several piano interested parties who were unable to take advantage of our recent **Factory to Home Sale**, we have fortunately arranged for another carload of pianos that will arrive this week and same will be placed on sale **Monday, Dec. 14, at 9 a. m., for Three Days Only**, positively closing Thursday, Dec. 17, at 12 noon. After that time I must devote my entire time to my jewelry trade.

**Remember--**These are all new goods direct from Factory to You, and for these Three Days Only same prices will prevail as did during our first Factory to Home sale, when every piano in the store was sold.

**LAST CHANCE TO BUY A \$250.00 PIANO FOR \$75.00**

**Ferdinand Hirzy**

Open Evenings

418 MAIN STREET

Open Evenings

**Moll-Glennon Co.**  
436-438 MAIN STREET

**Only 14 Shopping Days Before Christmas**

**Special on Coats**



Women's and Children's Coats at Special prices.

Some good numbers are left in colors and black.

**Christmas Aprons - 25c up**  
large line of new creations in plain and fancies. All colors.

**COLLARS**

Christmas Collars in all shapes and grades. New arrivals coming in every day. Prices **25c to \$3.00**

**RIBBONS**

Buy your Christmas Ribbons here. The stock is complete in every detail. Price per yard from **1c to 75c**

**New Fall Furs**

Complete line of Muffs and Scarfs in all qualities, styles and prices



**Holiday Linens**

Christmas Linens of all descriptions. Towels of all kinds, Lunch Cloths, Dresser Scarfs, Doilies, Napkins, Table Linens, etc.

**Handkerchiefs**

Christmas Handkerchiefs in hundreds of different styles. Wide or narrow hem. Lace or embroidery. The prices range from **1c to \$1.00**

**Do Your Shopping EARLY**



**Dress Goods**

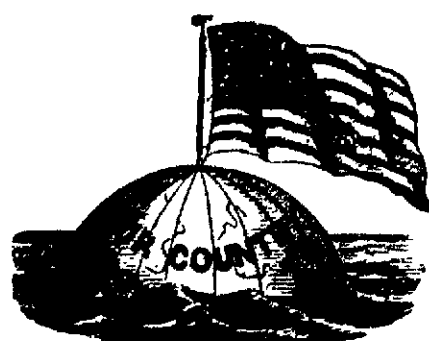
What is nicer than a new dress for Christmas? Here you can find a large new assortment to select from in Silk, Wool and Cotton.

**Holiday Gloves**

Kid and Fabric Gloves for Christmas wear. All colors and lengths. Large assortment to select from. Gloves make a nice Christmas gift. **35c to \$3.00 a pair**

**Do Your Shopping EARLY**





STEVENS POINT, WIS., DECEMBER 9, 1914.

## MOVE MENACES GERMAN ARMY

Russian Occupation of Plotsk  
May Have Serious Military  
Significance.

## GERMANS CLAIM GAINS

Reported to Have Turned on the  
Czar's Forces and Made Material  
Advances—Armies of the Al-  
lies in France Receive  
Heavy Reinforcements.

London, Dec. 4.—Interest in the war is now centered almost entirely in the struggle between the Russian and German hosts.

At last the Russians have approached within three miles of the outer fortifications of Cracow, their steady advance from Przemyśl having proceeded without any real check. They were reported today to be mounting heavy batteries around the town of Wieliczka, which they occupied yesterday and from which the outer forts of Cracow can be reached.

Important as this is—for the fall of Cracow would lay open the roads to Vienna, Breslau and Berlin—the main interest in the East continues to rest with the operations on the irregular front from Czenstochowa through Lodz and Lowicz to the East Prussian border.

### Germans Take Offensive.

The following official statement was issued in Petrograd:

"Fighting continues in certain districts along the front in the region of Lowicz. Important forces of the enemy, chiefly the troops transported in November from the German west front, opened an offensive on December 2 in the region of Lioutomersk and Sezerow.

"On the rest of the front on the left bank of the Vistula there is no particular modification in the situation.

"Beyond the Carpathians our troops have taken Bartfeld, capturing eight officers, 1,200 men and six machine guns."

London, Dec. 3.—The Russians have occupied Plotsk, which is 60 miles northwest of Warsaw and is ten miles north of Gombin. The significance of the news is that the Russians are now squarely on the north flank of General von Mackensen's army.

London, Dec. 3.—The German army in North Poland has formed a new front, and at some points has resumed the offensive, according to the best information obtainable from the eastern scene of war.

The Kaiser's forces, with the aid of reinforcements, have succeeded in escaping from the ring the Russians had forced around it, and from Berlin comes the message that in these maneuvers, by which the Russians were checked, 80,000 of the latter have been taken prisoner.

The Russians in a statement issued through Rome say the number of prisoners they have taken greatly exceeds those taken by the Germans. Both sides agree that the losses have been very heavy, and that the battle is still indecisive, as it probably will be for several days.

The Russian official report tonight says that the fighting has lost some of its violence, but indicates some progress for the Russian troops north of Lodz. It is unofficially reported that the Russians are "nearly in Cracow."

### Admit Germans Hold Lines.

The Army Messenger, the semi-official authority of Petrograd, in a review of the fighting from November 28 to 30, says:

"On the Russo-Prussian frontier the Germans have maintained their fortified positions and have been making attacks of little importance. These operations were without success and our army corps have kept their dispositions.

"The German offensive in the region of Lowicz was repulsed by the advance guards and cavalry, who inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. The same fate befell the German offensive at Dombrowa and Schutsoff.

### Russ Gain Near Cracow.

"On the Thorn-Cracow front the German guard which attempted the offensive suffered a serious defeat in the Trzbitz-Rogomiloff district. Our troops took a large number of prisoners, assumed the offensive, and captured several important points. Counter-attacks by the enemy were repulsed.

"The Austrian troops defending the approaches to Cracow have been defeated and are falling back in disorder in the region of the fortress."

It was announced at Kiev that 120 German and Austrian officers had been

brought there as prisoners. Among them were two generals, six colonels and 18 majors.

German Official Statement.  
The official statement of the war office at Berlin says:

"In northern Poland battles are taking their normal course.

"In southern Poland the enemy's attacks were repulsed.

"The report circulated in the foreign press that the 23,000 prisoners taken by us at Kutno are included in the 40,000 Russian prisoners reported by us previously is untrue.

"In the battle at Wlaskawek, Kutno, Lodz and Lowicz the eastern army has taken between November 11 and December 1 more than 80,000 unwounded Russian prisoners."

### LINES OF ALLIES HOLD.

Brave Attempt by Germans to Cross  
Yser Is Frustrated.

Northeastern France, Dec. 3.—Fierce fighting is now taking place along a considerable portion of the battle line. The Germans anticipated the concerted forward movement of the allies by making a spirited attack themselves.

The new German attack extended more or less along the whole line, but was concentrated principally north of Ypres and on toward Dixmude. The fighting has been most severe, but all assaults have been repulsed by the allies.

A large force of Germans crossed the flood waters of the Yser in darkness by means of big, broad rafts. These were punted through the shallow waters in dead silence. Each carried fifty or sixty men and machine-guns.

### Raked by French Guns.

In preparation for the dawn a further fleet of rafts drawn by motor boats was waiting on the German side of the muddy waters, but the plot was discovered, and when daylight arrived the artillery of the allies met the advancing Germans with devastating effect.

In spite of their losses, these Germans, brave even to madness, still essayed the crossing. They were partly covered by a heavy cannonading of their field artillery, and until midnight persisted in their plan.

Several rafts were upset in mid-stream by the fire of the French guns and great numbers of Germans drowned, while others were shot. Once again the Yser claimed a heavy toll.

The attack ceased after the Germans had suffered immense losses in men and machine-guns, but their artillery kept up a determined bombardment of the allied positions, meeting with a vigorous, well-directed reply.

### END OF BOER REBELLION.

Capture of Gen. Christian De Wet Is  
Reported in London.

London, Dec. 3.—Gen. Christian De Wet, leader of the rebellion in the Union of South Africa, has been captured, according to a Pretoria official dispatch to the Reuter Telegraph company.

He was captured by Col. Conrad Brits last Tuesday on a farm at Waterburg, a town 100 miles east of Mafeking, in British Bechuanaland.

De Wet has long been considered the greatest of the soldiers developed by the Boer war of 1900-02. His military career was largely that of a guerrilla chief, but he attained distinction as commander in chief of the Orange Free State forces. He was credited with doing more damage to the British army than any other half-dozen men in the Boer campaign. Lords Kitchener and Methuen were personally active in efforts to check his raids in that war, but failed. After the war he was made minister of agriculture, in 1907.

General De Wet was opposed to the government's action in regard to the present war in Europe. Early in October he attempted to speak at a meeting in protest, but was prevented by followers of General Botha, premier of the Union of South Africa. Near the end of October the rebellion broke out, with De Wet its chief leader.

### VOTE LARGE WAR CREDIT.

German Reichstag Gives Large Sum  
to Carry on the War.

Berlin (via London), Dec. 2.—With one dissenting vote, that of Herr Liebknecht, socialist, the reichstag voted today a new war credit of 5,000,000,000 marks (\$1,250,000,000).

Prior to the vote Doctor von Bethmann-Hollweg, imperial chancellor, made a speech in which he said:

"We must and will fight to a successful end our defensive war for right and freedom."

The chancellor blamed Russia for the conflict, but said the real responsibility was Great Britain's.

Says Turks Offset Japs.

The president of the chamber at the opening of the sitting dwelt on the unity and patriotism of the German people and commented on the large number of members of the reichstag serving at the front.

## ITALY IS NEAR WAR?

NATION MAY BE FORCED INTO  
CONFLICT—EXPECTED TO  
AID ALLIES.

### JOFFRE GETS 400,000 TROOPS

Commander in Chief of the Allied  
Armies in the West Is Reported  
Ready to Give Order for Offensive  
Movement Against the Germans.

Bordeaux, Dec. 7.—Rumors that Italy may relinquish her present position of armed neutrality in favor of the allies soon tallies with certain information received here on Friday, not official, but from a trustworthy source. There is good reason for believing not only that Italian public opinion is increasingly in favor of the allies, but moreover that the new Italian government is inclined to follow such drift of public opinion.

No more definite statement can be made at present, but it is considered here that the passage in the premier's speech referring to Italian aspirations is particularly significant.

Reports received in London from both Paris and Berlin indicate that the allies are taking vigorous counter-offensive against the Germans all along the western battle front as the beginning of General Joffre's long-awaited campaign to drive the Germans from Flanders, from France and from Alsace.

With the arrival of 400,000 British during the last fortnight, and with large reinforcements of French troops from the "Army on the Rhine," the Germans are said to be equalled.

The German war office statement says the French made repeated attacks in Flanders, which were repulsed. The French suffered considerable losses. This may mean that the allies have begun on an assault which will lead to one of the greatest struggles of the war, with the object of forcing a general retreat.

Simultaneously in Flanders, along the Aisne and in Alsace—on three distinct fronts where the fighting of the past few days has developed great vigor—the fury of the grand assault is expected to break forth.

### MILLIONAIRE HELD BY U. S.

Col. Charles Alexander of Providence,  
R. I., Arrested on Charges of  
Violating Mann Act.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Col. Charles Alexander, millionaire manufacturer of Providence, R. I., was arrested there by operatives of the department of justice following his indictment here on charges of violating the Mann act. The woman involved is Miss Jessie E. Cope, a young woman, formerly prominent in society in Los Angeles. She is living here. Colonel Alexander is married and occupies a prominent position in eastern social and business circles. He is a director of the Canadian Steel company of Toronto.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 7.—"Blackmail," was the reply of Col. Charles Alexander to a Mann act complaint in which he was arrested here by federal officers on Friday, charging him with transporting Miss Jessie Cope of Los Angeles from that city to Chicago in violation of the Mann act. Colonel Alexander was arraigned before United States Commissioner Matteson. His bail was fixed at \$7,500, and he was released.

### INDIANA CHIEFS INDICTED

Grand Jurors Accuse Lieutenant Gov-  
ernor and Speaker as Spoils-  
men.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 7.—Lieut. Gov. William P. O'Neill, Homer L. Cook, speaker of the house in 1913, who recently took office as secretary of state, and other officers and members of the legislature of 1913, were indicted on Friday by the Marion county grand jury.

The indictments charge that the officials signed warrants for pay for employees in excess of the amounts fixed by law and for more employees than were provided for in the statutes.

### CRACOW IS BEING SHELLED

Russ Bombard Austrian Stronghold  
From Heights of Wieliczka, Three  
Miles From Fortress.

Petrograd, Dec. 7.—Although no official statement was issued, it leaked out in military circles that the Russians have begun the bombardment of Cracow, the Austrian fortress in Galicia. From the heights of Wieliczka, three miles from the outer fortifications, the Russians are pouring a rain of shells upon the forts of Cracow with their long-range siege guns.

## GREAT WAR IN EUROPE TO HELP U. S. BUSINESS

One Year of Fighting to Net America  
\$500,000,000 Increase, Says  
Bureau Expert.

Washington, Dec. 4.—That one year of war in Europe will add \$500,000,000 to the foreign commerce of the United States is the estimate of Edward E. Pratt, chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce.

Mr. Pratt has just completed a study of the reports of American consuls and commercial representatives abroad, of agents of his bureau in this country, and of the new orders for American manufactures and products reported in commercial periodicals.

If the ratio of increase recorded since August, when the war began, is maintained until next August, he estimates that new orders placed on the books of American firms will total half a billion dollars.

As specified data upon which to base his estimates, Mr. Pratt has the report of J. Massel, special commercial agent now en route to South America to study the machine tool market there and prepare a review of the needs of South American countries, which will be made available to American manufacturers.

In preparation for his trip he visited virtually every large manufacturing plant in the United States and estimated that the machine tool manufacturing companies alone have from \$10,000,000 to \$15,000,000 in new orders from European countries now on their books.

Of course problems of delivery still have to be met, but the business is of the most valuable type, since orders are as a rule accompanied by cash.

### CHURCH EXCHEQUER MISSING.

David Vollrath, Treasurer of Church  
for Twenty Years, Disappears.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Friends are searching for David Vollrath, for nearly twenty years treasurer of St. Mark's Evangelical Lutheran church. Accountants are said to have found a shortage of between \$25,000 and \$30,000 in the funds of the church, covered by false entries going back five or six years. Vollrath disappeared a week ago within a day of the accountants' filing their report. Vollrath is sixty years old and was so highly esteemed that the church books were not audited for 12 years. His wife and three daughters are prostrated at the report of the shortage and fear he may have ended his life. He is supposed to have been speculating.

### 500 STORM DOORS OF BANK.

Angry Depositors Become Hysterical  
When Refused Admittance.

New York, Dec. 3.—Five hundred depositors stormed the private bank of Abraham L. Kass at 1656 Madison avenue and demanded their money. The state banking department took over the bank. Men and women gathered at the bank an hour before the usual opening time. The depositors shouted and waved their bankbooks, and many became hysterical when refused admittance to the bank.

The police prevented any riotous demonstrations and the depositors were told by bank officials that the bank was safe and the officials only needed a little time to settle their affairs.

### BOYS SHOULD STAY ON FARMS.

Secretary Houston Addresses Young  
Corn Growers.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Secretary of Agriculture Houston told more than a thousand boy corn growers from Ohio that they should stay on the farm. The secretary pointed out that although the population of the United States has increased 23,000,000 in the last 15 years there has been no increase in the production of corn, and he urged the boys to continue their efforts to increase the yield.

### 3,651 KILLED IN U. S. MINES.

Report Shows More Than 100,000 Men  
Injured Last Year.

Washington, Dec. 3.—More than one hundred thousand men were injured in American mines last year, while 3,651 were killed outright, according to figures given in the annual report of Dr. J. A. Holmes, director of the bureau of mines.

Bride, 75, Sues Groom of 95.  
Hammond, Ind., Dec. 3.—Louise M. Blue, in Benton county circuit court, has sued Joseph Blue for divorce, charging desertion. He is ninety-five years of age, she is seventy-five. When they were married six years ago she took him to reside with her.

### More Trouble for Munday.

Chicago, Dec. 3.—C. B. Munday of Litchfield and Chicago and under indictment in connection with the looting of the Lorimer chain of banks, is a defendant in the superior court here in a suit for \$50,000 on two notes. Conrad H. Mathless is the complainant.

## DANIELS REPLIES TO NAVY CHARGE

Challenges Statements of Law-  
makers Concerning Efficiency.

### TORPEDOES ARE ALL GOOD

Projectiles Built for New Ships Too  
Large for Any Vessel Afloat in  
U. S. Fleet—More Ships Up  
to Congress.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels issued two statements on Thursday, one in answer to the interview given by Senator Lodge and the other in reply to statements made by Representative Gardner in his speech in New York. In these statements Daniels makes specific answers to the questions raised by Senator Lodge and Gardner. In his statement answering Senator Lodge Daniels says:

"Senator Lodge was quoted as saying, 'I know myself we are short of scout cruisers, having only three.' Senator Lodge has been a member of the naval affairs committee of the senate for many years, and if he knows, as he says, what we have, why does he want an inquiry? Congress determines what the navy shall have."

"Senator Lodge also states as follows: 'We are insufficiently supplied with aeroplanes and hydro-aeroplanes, which are so essential to modern warfare.' In my report last year and in my forthcoming report, December 12, I have ardently advocated the fullest development of this branch of our service. The fact is we have a larger number of submarines in proportion to our battle fleet than any nation except France."

"I am having one of the latest authorized submarines constructed in the Portsmouth (N. J.) navy yard, and the department is providing for the newest ships and the best batteries that can be had. One of these ships shall be of the seagoing type, the first any nation of the world will possess."

"Senator Lodge wishes to be informed whether it is true that we have only one torpedo for each torpedo tube. This statement is erroneous."

"In regard to his statement that we had no fleet maneuvers for two years, and no divisional drills for one year, the fact is I myself have attended two fleet maneuvers. The ships are just now returning from Hampton roads, where they have been engaged in the fall maneuvers and target practice."

"We have been making progress and the navy is in fine shape."

In his answer to Mr. Gardner Secretary Daniels said:

"Congressman Gardner is quoted as saying that of long-range torpedo tubes there are only 58 in the navy. This statement standing by itself is calculated to leave a false impression."

"The 58 long-range torpedoes so often referred to as the only ones the navy possessed are of the 21-inch, 21-foot type, and there is no ship on the United States navy yet in commission prepared to take them."

"Long-range torpedoes are neither required nor desired for submarines. The Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue were torpedoed recently, it will be recalled, at a range of 500 yards."

### PROSECUTIONS ARE HINTED.

Interstate Commerce Commission In-  
vestigates Pere Marquette.

Detroit, Dec. 3.—An appraisal of the Pere Marquette railroad and the possibility of criminal proceedings against financiers whose names have been mentioned in connection with the financial troubles of the road were touched upon at the interstate commerce commission's investigation of the Pere Marquette. At other hearings stockholders testified that many millions raised to purchase equipment dropped from sight.

### Elected by Acclamation.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 3.—Richard D. Waugh, mayor of Winnipeg two years ago, was elected to office again by acclamation. The Manitoba government announces that while war in Europe continues all hotels, saloons and social clubs must cease liquor selling each evening at seven o'clock.

### World's Greatest Railway.

Rotterdam, Dec. 3.—The Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant learns that eight additional railway tracks have been laid between Berlin and Cologne. The enormous capacity of this system renders it the most wonderful strategic railway in the world.

## STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

Oshkosh.—The store of the Struening Clothing company was entered and about three hundred and fifty dollars' worth of gloves were carried away.

Hurley.—Mistaken for a deer, the fifteen-year-old son of Gus Abonen of Hinkle was shot in the hand and one finger cut off while walking to Hurley. He was with his father.

Sheboygan.—Accidentally falling into a pot of boiling lard, Gilbert Becker, two and one-half years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Becker, was so badly burned that he died after six days of agony.

Madison.—Infectious pneumonia has broken out in the herd of William Bickie, near La Crosse. It was at first thought to be foot-and-mouth disease. An inspector examined the herd and the animals have been ordered killed.

Elkhorn.—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Myers of this city recently celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home, entertaining about fifteen guests. Mr. Myers is a well-known conductor on the Milwaukee railroad on the southern division.

Sheboygan.—A young man who gives his name as Ed Lorenz made the mistake of offering Locks & Holman 15 per cent if they would cash a check of \$15 for him. Under the pretense of going out for the change Mr. Holman summoned the police. The check was a forgery and Lorenz is in jail awaiting a hearing.

Superior.—The ore-shipping season at the head of the lakes came to an end when the steamers loading at the Great Northern docks cleared. The Great Northern has shipped 10,460,000 tons, the Soo line 733,000 tons, and the Northern Pacific 127,000. The two latter carried Cuyuna range ore exclusively.

Madison.—James A. McPherson of Madison, with three wives and an affinity, was sentenced to three years in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., and to a fine of \$1,000 for violating the Mann white slave law in transporting his affinity, Miss Jessie Thompson, cousin of his third wife, to Chicago and Duluth for unlawful purposes.

Madison.—Notwithstanding the report from Washington that work on public buildings is to be held up for a time, the order evidently does not affect the Madison situation. Postmaster Devine said that blanks had just been sent to him to have filled out, giving the topography of the site, lay of the land, nature of subsoil, etc. This information he is to secure at once and forward to Washington.

Superior.—Sentences ranging from a year and a day in the Leavenworth penitentiary to 60 days in jail were imposed on 15 out of 22 Indians arraigned in federal court here when they pleaded guilty before Judge Sanborn to violating the federal liquor laws relating to reservations. Six others pleaded guilty and sentence was suspended, while one was dismissed and the remaining prisoner demanded an examination.

Racine.—William Bushman was fined \$350 for two stolen kisses bestowed upon Mrs. Martha Drasen of Burlington. On Monday, September 14, he is said to have stolen the first osculation, and on Friday of the same week he snatched the second, it was stated. The jury found that the first kiss was worth \$100 and the second \$250. Just why there should be more value on the second than the first Bushman is unable to say. Mrs. Drasen sued for \$500, claiming distress of mind.

Fond du Lac.—To be robbed of \$1,180, the proceeds of the sale of his little home, was the fate of Charles Kurtholz, recluse, seventy-seven years old, who has spent almost his entire life in the town of Eldorado, according to a report made to the police. According to Kurtholz's statement he was robbed of \$600 on the night of November 13, the money being taken from a pouch beneath the mattress of his bed. The balance of \$580, the second payment, which he received some days later, was taken from his coat pocket while he was preparing to go out to a Thanksgiving dinner.

Oconomowoc.—Henry Krogman, fifty-seven, a hardware merchant at 449 Eleventh avenue, Milwaukee, drowned on Okauchee lake while rowing toward his cottage, where he planned on spending a week. The boat capsized near the shore. The body was recovered by Edward Lange.

Janesville.—After years of separation Otto and August Wille, who had been left as children at the Home for Dependent Children in Sparta by their father, Eugene Wille, are united with their parent. During the interim the boys were sent from the school and both father and sons kept trace of each other. It took considerable persuasion to convince Wille the two grown men were his little boys, as he had not seen them in years.